

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/685,698 )  
Filed: October 10, 2000 )  
For: EL Display Device And A Method of )  
Manufacturing The Same )  
Examiner: Laura M. Schillinger )  
Art Unit: 2813 )  
Confirm No. 3944 )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST TO CONSIDER PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED IDS  
IN FURTHERANCE OF NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

Sir:

On February 22, 2008, Applicants filed a RCE and IDS by facsimile (with the Office of Petitions) and a petition to withdraw from issuance.

On February 26, 2008, Applicants electronically filed an IDS, a copy of the foreign reference, and a 1449 form (a copy of the IDS and 1449 form is attached; along with electronic acknowledgment from the Patent Office).

On the same day, February 26, 2008, the PTO mailed a Decision granting Applicants petition to withdraw the application from issuance and withdrew the application from issue to consider the RCE.

On March 20, 2008, the Examiner issued a Notice of Allowance for the above-identified application which Applicants appreciate.

As the date of filing of the IDS is prior to the date of the Notice of Allowance, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner should consider this IDS and issue a supplemental Notice of Allowance with marked-up 1449 form.

Applicants do not believe a petition or fee is due for this request. However, if a petition is due, please consider this such a petition and please charge our deposit account 50/1039 for any fee due for this request or petition.

Favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i) copies of cited US patent and US patent application publications are not submitted herewith.

REFERENCES CITED HEREIN

US patent no. 7,298,347 submitted herein, is a US family member of Japanese patent application JP 2000-176246, which does not appear to have been prosecuted in the Japanese Patent Office. Japanese patent publication no. JP 2002-72964 claims priority to

JP 2000-176246, and was published on March 12, 2002. Therefore, US 7,298,347 appears to be in the same family as JP 2002-72964.

No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

The citation of the above-discussed documents is not to be construed as an assertion that more pertinent art could not possibly be in existence. Citation of any document herein is not to be construed as an admission that any subject matter disclosed in the document is necessarily within the inventive field of endeavor, that any disclosure is necessarily prior in time to a particular date which may be relevant to the instant patent application, and/or that any disclosure is otherwise necessarily prior art with respect to the instant invention.

Applicant also respectfully reserves the right to later set forth how the instant invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any document or other art, including the disclosure of those documents discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

FEE

As an RCE was recently filed in this case, no fee is believed due for this IDS. However, if any such fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50/1039.

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